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Application No.:	08/869,275	}
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	PCR Processes	and Am
Applicant:	Wittwer, et al.	(Signature)
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Sir:

The captioned application was originally filed claiming priority to the following US patent applications:

U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/658,993, filed June 4, 1996 entitled System and Method for Monitoring PCR Processes which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/537,612, filed October 2, 1995, entitled Method for Rapid Thermal Cycling of Biological Samples which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/179, 969, filed January 10, 1994 (now US Patent No. 5,455,175) entitled Rapid Thermal Cycling Device which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 07/815,966 filed Jan. 2, 1992 (now abandoned), entitled Rapid Thermal Cycling Device

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which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 07/534,029 filed Jun. 4, 1990 (now abandoned), entitled Automated Polymerase Chain Reaction Device.

Applicants hereby disclaim priority to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/537,612, filed October 2, 1995, U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/179, 969, filed January 10, 1994, U.S. patent application Ser. No. 07/815,966 filed Jan. 2, 1992, and U.S. patent application Ser. No. 07/534,029 filed Jun. 4, 1990.

Accordingly, Applicants request the record to be corrected to indicate that the application now claims priority only to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/658,993, filed June 4, 1996 entitled System and Method for Monitoring PCR Processes.

Respectfully submitted,

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